

FRANKLIN GARDENS

Big Springs, Nebraska

1955 SUPPLEMENT

To be used with the 1954 Catalog of Franklin Gardens
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1955 Dwarf Iris Introductions

BIMBO (V. Grapes No. 4251) (Violet Gem x—). Small flowered medium blue-lavender, having the specie look. S. closed, F. horizontal, red violet spot at end of light blue beard. If you like small ones this is for you. Height 5 inches. \$3.00

EARLY SUNSHINE (V. Grapes No. 1052) (Burchfield x Carpathia). S. closed dark yellow, F. flaring orange-yellow, orange beard. Early blooming, fairly glitters across the garden. Distinct and fine. Height 6 inches. \$4.00

MISTY PLUM (V. Grapes No. 550) (I. mellita B x—). S. mulberry, F. darker mulberry with a blackish sheen, bright violet beard. Good form, unusual color. Height 7 inches. \$3.00

Price Changes

DWARF IRIS

Cup and Saucer \$2.00

BEARDLESS IRIS

I. Longipetala \$1.00

Additional Dwarf Iris

Endymion—Beautiful dark mahogany red. 8 in. .50

Little Bluet—Dark blue-violet. .40

Little Jewel—Rose-mulberry blend, brown on falls, 6 in. .50

Little Skipper—Blue-gray bitone, 5 in. \$1.00

Iris Missouriensis

Iris missouriensis was first recognized as a distinct species by Nuttall in 1834 and named for the river near which he discovered it. It is now regarded as a large complex of most variable forms and varieties or possibly sub-species scattered widely over the entire west and including those iris formerly known as *I. arizonica* and *I. montana*. Plants grow from 10 to 30 inches high, bloom just ahead of the Siberians, which they very much resemble, and ask no more than that they be allowed to dry out in summer, after they have become established. Like Siberians, they do not perform typically until the second year after planting and succeed best if allowed plenty of water during the first summer; thereafter they are self-reliant.

Missouriensis Julesburg—unveined soft blue from Colorado \$1.00

Missouriensis Snowbird (Andrews 1922)—white from Colorado \$1.00

Missouriensis Bluebird (Andrews 1922)—violet-blue from Colorado \$1.00.

Missouriensis Ellensburg blues—Robust bitoned violet-blues from Wash. \$1.00

Missouriensis Sprague alba—very dainty milk white, frilled from Wash. .75

Missouriensis Palouse blues—vined soft violet-blues from Wash. .75

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